

**EXECUTIVE SESSION OF THE JASPER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
OCTOBER 16, 2017**

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The Jasper County Commissioners met this date at 8:30 A.M. C.S.T., in the Commissioners Room, Suite 202, of the Jasper County Courthouse located at 115 West Washington Street, Rensselaer, Indiana, with the following members present: Kendell Culp, James A. Walstra and Richard E. Maxwell. Also present were Auditor Kimberly K. Grow, Deputy Auditor Tina M. Porter, Dan Fagen and Jack Fagen from Financial Arts, Inc. and Tracy Thiel from Key Benefit Administrators. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the 2018 renewal of the County's group health insurance.

**CONTINUED MEETING OF THE JASPER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
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The Jasper County Commissioners met this date at 9:50 A.M. C.S.T., in the Commissioners Room, Suite 202, of the Jasper County Courthouse located at 115 West Washington Street, Rensselaer, Indiana, with the following members present: Kendell Culp, James A. Walstra and Richard E. Maxwell. Also present were Auditor Kimberly K. Grow and Deputy Auditor Tina M. Porter.

HEALTH INSURANCE RENEWAL WITH OPTUM: Mr. Maxwell made a motion to accept the Option one renewal with a four percent increase. Mr. Walstra seconded and the motion carried.

RX RENEWAL: Mr. Maxwell made a motion to switch from Optum to Caremark for prescriptions. Mr. Walstra seconded and the motion carried.

This meeting now stands in recess to resume the Executive Session.

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The Jasper County Commissioners met this date at 9:52 A.M. C.S.T., in the Commissioners Room, Suite 202, of the Jasper County Courthouse located at 115 West Washington Street, Rensselaer, Indiana, with the following members present: Kendell Culp, James A. Walstra and Richard E. Maxwell. Also present were Auditor Kimberly K. Grow, Deputy Auditor Tina M. Porter and the Attorney that represents the Commissioners, Eric J. Beaver.

Karen Wilson, Mary Moran, Torrey Glover, Mary Scheurich and Dawn Hoffman were also present.

Litigation and personnel issues were discussed.

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The Jasper County Commissioners met this date at 11:28 A.M. C.S.T., in the Commissioners Room, Suite 202, of the Jasper County Courthouse located at 115 West Washington Street, Rensselaer, Indiana, with the following members present: Kendell Culp, James A. Walstra and Richard E. Maxwell. Also present were Auditor Kimberly K. Grow, Deputy Auditor Tina M. Porter and the Attorney that represents the Commissioners, Eric J. Beaver.

NIPSCO MEETING: Mr. Culp stated that there is a meeting with the NIPSCO CEO scheduled for November 20, 2017 at 4:00 P.M. at their Merrillville office. The new Jasper County LEDO will also be attending. The main purpose of the meeting is to let NIPSCO know that the County wants to be receptive and continue to work with them to continue Schaefer as a viable energy producer.

COMPENSATION TIME EXTENSION REQUESTS: Amy Gembala, Donna Horner, Barbara Robinson, Tina Porter, Patrick Donnelly, Melinda Scheffer, Regina Coulter and the Highway employees requested extension on compensation time. Mr. Maxwell made a motion to extend the compensation time through November 30, 2017. Mr. Walstra seconded and the motion carried.

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TRAINING REQUEST: Mr. Walstra made a motion to approve the request from Mr. Wakeland to attend the IACCAC Fall Conference November 14th through November 16th in Indianapolis. Mr. Maxwell seconded and the motion carried.

HIGHWAY: Ms. Ackerman was present and stated that one of the Road Foremen's are retiring December 31, 2017. She asked for permission to keep two foremen and would like to fill the position in-house. Mr. Culp suggested that the second foremen be at a lower pay than the first. Mr. Walstra and Mr. Maxwell agreed. Mr. Maxwell made a motion to approve two foremen. Mr. Walstra seconded and the motion carried. Wages and salary can be discussed at the next Executive Session on November 6, 2017.

Ms. Ackerman informed the Commissioners that the Highway Department passed the stack test. Mr. Maxwell and Ms. Ackerman said they attribute this to using clean stone as opposed to state spec stone.

HVAC CONTRACT: Mr. Culp stated that this will be worked on at the November 6th meeting. He said he met with them to close out the third floor and was really impressed with how the meeting went. He said that he informed Sheriff Risner that he would prefer to stay with Havel.

WHITE HOUSE INVITATION: Mr. Culp stated that every Commissioner in Indiana received an invitation to go to the White House next week for an Indiana County Commissioner Day. They will be giving a tour, with the opportunity to talk to Cabinet and Federal level employees.

RECYCLING / JOE KLAUS: Auditor Grow stated that she's talked to Mr. Klaus a couple times trying to explain to him that he's received all the payments that he is owed. He wants to be pre-paid. Mr. Maxwell said he will talk to him.

WIND ORDINANCE: Mr. Culp stated that Mrs. Scheurich sent out information regarding a wind ordinance. Part of the language in the ordinance asks the County to let the party infringe on the City's two mile buffer and he doesn't believe the Commissioners have that jurisdiction. Attorney Beaver stated that the County does not enforce the City's zoning.

PERMISSION TO USE ROAD: Mr. Culp asked Attorney Beaver if he has a form agreement for permission to use a road with the requirement that it is to be fixed if damage occurs. He replied that he believes something could be drawn up.

BETH MCKEE / DEPUTY ASSESSOR / EXTENSION OF LEAVE REQUEST: Mr. Maxwell made a motion to approve Ms. McKee's extension of leave request. Mr. Walstra seconded and the motion carried.

SIREN GRANT: Mr. Maxwell made a motion to pay the Siren Grant from Buildings, Ground and Repairs - Courthouse in the amount of \$32,336.00 and \$4,000.00 from the Siren Fund. Mr. Walstra seconded and the motion carried. This will be paid through claims.

ATTORNEY BEAVER / DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE: Attorney Beaver stated that he completed the procedures for the Department of Justice. The response is due on October 18, 2017. Mr. Walstra made a motion to approve the resolution. Mr. Maxwell seconded and the motion carried.

There being no further business and no public comment, Mr. Walstra made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Culp seconded and the motion carried.

Kendell Culp, President

James A. Walstra, Vice President

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Richard E. Maxwell, Member

ATTEST:

Kimberly K. Grow, Auditor of Jasper County